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Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana Newsletter



Notes from the Council Table

Qaxtna!

As you are probably aware, our annual Election has come and gone with the incumbent members retaining their seats for Council and the Board of Education. A swearing-in ceremony was held at the Tribal Courts Building on July 5th for each of the members. Also, we hope that everyone enjoyed this year's Appreciation Day.

For those not able to attend, we had an additional treat to the traditional food, bingo and door prizes. Our fellow natives from the Alabama Coushatta Tribe of Livingston, Texas performed a powwow dance exhibition, and several members of the Muscogee Creek Nation of Okmulgee, Oklahoma performed a stomp dance. It appeared by the participation from the audience that this addition to the Appreciation Day was a hit. Hopefully, we will be able to do this on a more regular basis.

To begin, the Council received some very welcoming news at the July 7th Council Meeting from our local State Representative, Sam Jones, regarding some money made available from the State for two Tribal programs. As you may already know, the Pre-K was moved from Yaamahana to the Tribal School last year. This move was made due to several students leaving Yaamahana to attend public schools for Pre-K since normal tuition costs were still applied for the Tribe's program.

Unlike the K – 8th grade, the Tribe does not receive any federal dollars to supplement the costs for Pre-K. It was the choice of the Council at the time to make this transition to achieve continuity in our children's educational needs. To help subsidize some of the costs, the Tribe had applied for LA 4 monies through the State of Louisiana. Unfortunately, we did not receive the funding; therefore, the first year of Pre-K back at the Tribal School was totally funded with Tribal dollars. It was with the efforts of State Representative Sam Jones that the Tribe has been added to the list to receive \$40,000 from the State through the LA 4 program for this year's funding cycle. Sam also reported that he was able to secure \$5,000 for the Tribal Museum through another state appropriation. We truly appreciate the advocacy of Mr. Jones for Chitimacha and are very fortunate to have this representation at the State level.

There is currently several infrastructure improvement projects on the horizon that we would like to bring to your attention including: Creek Drive, Cypress Drive and the next phase of sewer rehabilitation on the Reservation.

Currently, the reconstruction of Creek Drive is in the design phase. Within the next few weeks, a 50% complete construction document should be ready to submit to the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) for review and comment. Following the 50% complete review and comment, two additional submittals must be made to the BIA for review prior to advertising for bids. We anticipate that we should begin the bidding process prior to the end of this year. Creek Drive is funded in part by a Planning Assistance to States (PAS) contract with the Army Corps of Engineers for planning and design with construction funding coming from the IRR program of the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

The Cypress Drive project is currently being advertised with a bid opening date scheduled for August 31st. This project is located adjacent to the existing Shorty's parking area which consists of the construction of a concrete roadway and 100+ additional parking spaces. We are anticipating that the construction funds received through a BIA contract, will allow for 100% Federal funding of this project.

You may recall several years back when the first phase of sewer rehab occurred on the Reservation's oldest sewer mains along Chitimacha Trail and Chitimacha Loop Road. We have just received an announcement from the Region 6 Office of the United States EPA, as well as, Indian Health Service, that funding has been allocated for Phase II of our sewer rehabilitation efforts. This will enable us to identify areas of infiltration and inflow within our existing system and repair them. Also, some of the funding will be used to retrofit some of the existing sewer lift stations throughout the Reservation. The estimated costs for this project total approximately \$700,000.

And, of course, we would like to provide an update on the Chitimacha Hotel project that is moving along as well. Several rain outs have occurred due to the almost daily showers we have been receiving lately; however, the site work construction is still proceeding. Much of the utility infrastructure has been installed and work is now underway for pavement and sidewalk construction. Wright Hotel Development is currently contracting with the successful bidders for Bid Package #2 which constitutes the majority of trades required for the facility construction. We anticipate receiving the award recommendations from Wright on the third, and final, bid package once all prospective bidders are qualified and their proposals evaluated. In terms of financing this addition, at the July 7th Council meeting, the financing documents with the Whitney Bank were approved by a majority vote of the Tribal Council.

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Your Tribal Council



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DUE TO THE PUBLICATION OF THE NEWSLETTER ON THE WEBSITE AND THE OCCASIONAL SENSITIVE NATURE OF TRIBAL BUSINESS, THE RESOLUTION NUMBERS AND TOPICS WILL ONLY BE POSTED.

FOR TRIBAL MEMBERS, THE FULL RESOLUTIONS ARE AVAILABLE UPON WRITTEN REQUEST TO JILL LOUVIERE, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT; OR LOREN ROGERS, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT; OR PEGGY GADDY, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER. YOU MAY MAIL YOUR REQUEST TO P.O. BOX 661, CHARENTON, LA 70523 OR THROUGH E-MAIL:

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A CONFIDENTIALITY ACKNOWLEDGMENT FORM WILL BE REQUIRED TO RELEASE THE REQUESTED INFORMATION. THE FORM CAN BE MAILED OR E-MAILED TO YOU.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING AND COOPERATION WITH THIS MATTER.

Resolutions for the Month of May

Resolution CHI-TC #22-11	Indirect Cost Proposal
Resolution CHI-TC #23-11	Audit Engagement Letters
Resolution CHI-TC #24-11	Land Lease (Kelli Ann Thomas Hair)
Resolution CHI-TC #25-11	Tribal Historic Preservation Office Grant
Resolution CHI-TC #26-11	Housing Authority Appointment (Rodney Burgess)

Resolutions for the Month of June

Resolution CHI-TC #27-11	Louisiana State Police Budget
Resolution CHI-TC #28-11	Agreement between the Tribe and Wright Development and Agreement between the Tribe and CVC Hospitality
Resolution CHI-TC #29-11	Approval of Hotel Loan Terms
Resolution CHI-TC #30-11	Capital Expenditure for CBC
Resolution CHI-TC #31-11	State Sales Tax Exemption Designation for Hotel Project
Resolution CHI-TC #32-11	Diabetes Grant
Resolution CHI-TC #33-11	CCDF Grant
Resolution CHI-TC #34-11	Title IV-B Grant
Resolution CHI-TC #35-11	Amendment to Resolution CHI-TC #46-10 Authorized Signers on Bank Accounts

Resolutions for the Month of July

Resolution CHI-TC #36-11	401(K) Service Provider
Resolution CHI-TC #37-11	Wire Transfers
Resolution CHI-TC #38-11	Gaming Commission Chairman Appointment (Robert J. Carroll)
Resolution CHI-TC #39-11	Raintree Market Payback
Resolution CHI-TC #40-11	Hotel Loan Documents
Resolution CHI-TC #41-11	Roadway Rights-of-Way for Cypress and Creek Drive
Resolution CHI-TC #42-11	Chief Judge Appointment and Contractual Agreement with Cameron B. Simmons
Resolution CHI-TC #43-11	Judge Pro Tempore Appointment and Contractual Agreement with Gary F. LeGros, Jr.



CHITIMACHA TRIBAL POLICE NEWS



JULY 2011

For the month of July 2011, ten traffic citations were issued as follows—two for driving without insurance, two for driving under suspension, two for stop sign violations, and one each for headlamps required after dark, driving without a drivers license, improper backing of a vehicle, and operating a vehicle with an expired drivers license.

Officers issued four verbal warnings for various traffic violations.

The following arrests were logged for the month of July 2011:

- 07-01-11 One male arrested for entry where forbidden.
- 07-01-11 One male arrested for unlawful use of a state ID to enter a gaming facility.
- 07-01-11 One male arrested on a warrant from the 16th Judicial Court in St. Mary Parish for failure to appear for a revocation hearing on the charge of criminal mischief by false reporting.
- 07-01-11 One male arrested on five warrants from the 16th Judicial Court in St. Mary Parish for issuing worthless checks.
- 07-03-11 One male and one female arrested for simple battery.
- 07-05-11 One female arrested for criminal abandonment of a child.
- 07-06-11 One female arrested for criminal trespassing.
- 07-06-11 One male arrested for driving while intoxicated, driving under suspension, and improper backing of a vehicle.
- 07-08-11 One male arrested for resisting an officer by giving false information, driving with an expired drivers license, and a warrant from the 16th Judicial Court in Iberia Parish for failure to appear for drug court on charges of theft over \$500.00, simple burglary, simple assault and disturbing the peace.
- 07-10-11 One male arrested for disturbing the peace, simple battery and resisting an officer by giving false information.
- 07-10-11 One male arrested for criminal trespassing.
- 07-17-11 One male arrested for domestic abuse battery.
- 07-20-11 One male arrested on a bench warrant for the 37th Judicial District Court in Caldwell Parish for failure to appear on three charges of issuing worthless checks.
- 07-22-11 One male arrested on a warrant from the 15th Judicial District Court in Vermilion Parish for probation violation on the charge of possession with intent to distribute Hydrocodone.
- 07-23-11 One male arrested for disturbing the peace and simple battery.

For the month of July 2011, the police department handled six animal complaints. No animals were sent to the parish animal pound.

On 06/15/2011 Sergeant Jada Breaux went to RiverCane Assisted Living Facility and conducted an awareness program on scams and identity theft that target the elderly. Sgt. Breaux provided tips to the residents to avoid them falling victim to any scams or possible identity theft. Some of the tips included: not revealing personal information, never giving out credit or debit card numbers, never sending money, and never cashing checks that claim you will get more money. The basic rule of thumb used was “if it sounds too good to be true or you have to give money to win money it is a scam”.

Sgt. Breaux talked about the use of newer technology such as e-mail and how letters are being sent out to gain account numbers or passwords to online banking. She also advised the residents that they should not provide their account numbers or passwords to anyone for any reason.

When speaking on identity theft, tips included not releasing personal information such as social security numbers and also, when possible, shredding all papers with account numbers or personal information. Sgt. Breaux also spoke about what you should do if you fall victim to identity theft and what resources are available to help you restore your credit and identity. The residents were informed of their free credit report that they can obtain once yearly and that if they were interested Sgt. Breaux would help them to obtain this and check for anything on their report that may cause alarm.

Sgt. Breaux distributed some information to the residents and told them that in the future if they had any questions about things they received from postal mail, e-mail, telephones, or text messages to call the Police Department and she would assist them to see if there was any legitimacy to the claim so that they would not fall victim to any scams.

Pictured below is Sgt. Jada Breaux and RiverCane residents Helen Mora and Georgia Hurst.



On 06/10/2011 Sergeant Jada Breaux taught a bicycle safety course to 24 children attending the Chitimacha Tribal Day Camp. Each child received a color book handout containing bicycle safety information, along with a safety check list. Sgt. Breaux reminded the children of the importance of safety equipment such as helmets, proper clothing, and safety knee and elbow pads. She also spoke of the rules of the road, reminding the children that if they are on the roadway their bicycle is just like a vehicle and they must obey the traffic laws of the road. Sgt Breaux also reviewed the hand signals for riding a bicycle that show others what you, as a bicycle rider, are intending on doing. The entire group also practiced the hand signals with Sgt Breaux monitoring and assisting them. After speaking to the children Sgt. Breaux held a question and answer session allowing the children to ask questions about anything they were unsure of.



**CHITIMACHA TRIBAL POLICE DEPARTMENT
2011 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME
AUGUST 02, 2011**

National Night Out Against Crime is an annual event designed to strengthen our communities by encouraging neighborhoods to engage in stronger relationships with each other and with their local law enforcement partners. The goal is to heighten crime-prevention awareness, build support and participation in local anti-crime programs, and most importantly, send a message that our neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. It's also the perfect opportunity to get to know your neighbors better. This event takes place every year in communities across the nation.

The Chitimacha Tribal Police Department held their fourth annual event in the tribal school gym and approximately 197 adults, children and tribal elders attended. There was plenty of food, good music, fun jumps, a petting zoo and pony rides, tattoos for the kids, SWAT pictures where the children got to dress up in police gear, door prizes, guest speakers, and lots of fun. There were tables set up with information being provided by the Police Department, Tribal Social Services, Chez Hope, the 16th Judicial District Court program VOICE (Voices of Innocent Citizens Empowered) and

available on the upcoming Tour Du Teche II Canoe and Kayak Races that will take place on October 7, 8, and 9, 2011.

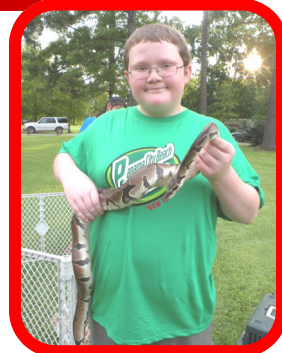
The event was held from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and was enjoyed by all that attended. Of course, we could not put on this event without the help and support of those who gave of their time, donated money, door prizes or food items, and willingly volunteered to come out and assist with anything they could help with. We would like to recognize and thank the following businesses and individuals

Chitimacha Police Department Personnel
Franklin Masons Lodge #57 F&AM
Tons of Fun Jumps (Christine & Dale Mire)
Acadiana Bottling
Geiling Insurance Company
Target Inc. (Louisiana Ave., Lafayette)
Mary Kay Inc. (Gloria Loston)
The Forest Restaurant
Main Street Café
Treasure Bayou Hotel & Suites
Dollar General #10371 (Baldwin)
Charles Dugan
Joyce Champagne
St. Mary Parish Sheriff, Mark Hebert
George & Anna Breaux
Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries
Deputy Gail Guidry
Karen Matthews
Billy & Jeri St. Blanc
Catalene Theriot (VOICE)
Jovan Anderson
Brendon Sturgeon
Cherrise Picard & Rebecca Rodriguez (Chez Hope)

Chitimacha Fire Protection Personnel
Allen Chapter #21 Order of Eastern Stars
Corner Cottage (Tricia Mestayer)
Curtis Nelson Electric
UMCOR Sager Brown
Barney's Police Supply
Faith
George Rodriguez Sr.
Raintree Supermarket
Wal-Mart #540 (Bayou Vista)
Jake & Claudia Darden
Russell & Patricia Knowles
Virgie Price
Tribal Judge, Cameron Simmons
Brother Patrick Brown
Franklin City Marshals Office 3rd Ward
Deputy Lois Hines
Jenna Fontenot
Parish President Paul Naquin
Jasi Anderson
Blaise Lott
Dylan Dwyer

Pictured below and on the next page are photos of the 2011 National Night Out Against Crime.





**SCHOOL IS IN SESSION AGAIN!
MOTORISTS—PLEASE OBSERVE SCHOOL
ZONES AND DRIVE SLOWLY
WATCH FOR THE CHILDREN!**

**Bureau of Indian Affairs
Indian Highway Safety Program**

DRIVE SOBER OR GET PULLED OVER

Impaired Driving Mobilization

August 19, 2011 to September 05, 2011

**Saturation patrols, checkpoints and having a zero tolerance
for impaired driving will save lives.**

**The Chitimacha Police Department will join other Tribal Law
Enforcement Agencies in the “*Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over*”
Indian State Impaired Driving Mobilization.**

**This is an opportunity to save Tribal members lives and
deter impaired driving!**



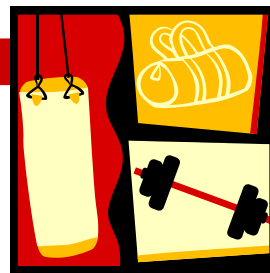
Chitimacha Tribal School News

Eagle Pride... Eagle Spirit!

The theme for the 2011-2012 year is “CTS is an All-Star Team.” Everyone will be ready to get into the game and prove to be a team of winners. The CTS teacher team were busy getting ready for the arrival of the “CTS All-Stars” on Monday, August 8th.

Teachers have attended workshops during the summer, have been busy working in their classrooms, and attending meetings in preparation for the new year. Casino employees made a huge delivery of school supplies to school on Friday. We appreciate the generous support and donations of the employees which ensures that all students will have all necessary supplies. This is sure to be a winning year.

RECREATION NEWS



Pool: Although we had an exciting summer at the pool, summer vacation has ended and with it brought the close of Lifeguarding. The pool will remain open through September so come out after school and on the weekends and enjoy the pool before it closes until next season. Pool hours are as follows: Tuesday-Thursday 7:30 AM-7:00 PM, Friday 7:30-11:30, reopen 3:30-7:00 PM, Saturday and Sunday 1:00-7:00 PM, closed every Monday.

Tour du Teche II: The tour is slated for the weekend of October 7-9. Tour du Teche is a 133 mile, 3 staged Canoe and Kayak race that starts at the beginning of Bayou Teche in Port Barre, LA, and continues to the end of the Teche in Berwick, LA. The race will pass through the Reservation on Saturday, October 8. The Tribe is an official checkpoint for the Tour. This means we will be responsible for checking each boat, recording their time, and calling the Command Center for updates.

The Chitimacha Boat Landing will be this checkpoint in which we will provide food, water and rest for the paddlers. Each paddler will have their own bank runner which will be following them on land throughout the weekend. They will also need to have access to their paddlers at each checkpoint. We want everyone to be a part of this excitement. When paddlers pass through the Reservation, we want them to know where they are, remember where they were, and want to come back to visit. We need your help! You can volunteer as a boat checker throughout the day and into the night on Saturday, or you can just come by and spend some time at the landing to cheer the paddlers as they pass.

Our checkpoint needs to be monitored for about 18 hours. The fastest boat will reach the Reservation about 11:00 AM Saturday, October 8, and most of the boats should pass through by 1:00 AM Sunday morning. Chairman John Paul will provide hot dogs and cold drinks for all off our community members so please come out and give a hand or just join in the cheering.

The Tour du Teche II stage 1 is the Gabrielle which begins in Port Barre Friday morning and ends in St. Martinville, totaling 48 miles. Stage 2 is the Chitimacha leg which begins in St. Martinville and ends in Franklin, totaling 60 miles. It is the longest and most challenging stage in which one must deal with changing currents, Keystone Dam, duckweed, water lilies and unpredictable circumstances. Stage 3, the Roughneck leg, begins in Franklin and ends in Berwick, completing the 133 mile race. Please call us at Recreation if you would like to volunteer to help.

CPR Class: A CPR Class for Yaamahana, CTS, and the Cultural Department was scheduled for Thursday, August 18, at 8:30 AM. The updated American Red Cross Class included a 2 year certification in Adult, child and infant CPR.

Soccer: Registration is planned for August 15-18. Ages 5 and up are welcome to play. High school and adults are encouraged to stay after the league games have finished to play a pick up game. A coaches meeting will be held on August 30, at 6 PM. As usual, we are always looking for coaches. Games will played on Mondays and Wednesdays beginning September 12. There will be one Thursday game.

Volleyball/Flag Football: For those of you interested in Girl's Volleyball and Boy's Flag Football, registration will soon follow.

Canoe/Kayak Paddles: Recreation has acquired canoes and kayaks for the week of August 22. During this week, we have four planned paddles. The first paddle was held on Tuesday, August 23, for adults 30+ at 6:00 PM. Wednesday, August 24, those adults under 30 will take the leisure ride at 6 PM. The morning of Thursday, August 25, the Team Leaders will head out down the bayou on a scenic tour. And last but not least, our High School students will paddle on Thursday evening at 6 PM. If you're interested in joining any of these paddle groups, please call Recreation to register. If you have access to a canoe or kayak, please let us know. We would like to include as many as possible.

Chitimacha Crew: Our high school kids have gotten together and created a Facebook page to inform this age group of upcoming events. Last month, the group went to the movies and out to eat. They also held a late evening volleyball pool party with hot dogs, chips, and drinks. The next outing is the canoe and kayak paddle planned for Thursday, August 25, at 6 PM. So check out the page or post a comment on the Facebook wall with ideas.

Looking back at Summer 2011: Pictures are from Summer Day Camp, Swim Team, and Swim Lessons.



YAAMAHANA

IS CURRENTLY ENROLLING CHILDREN FOR THE 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR

1. Yaamahana accepts children ages six weeks to four years of age who are enrolled in a federally recognized tribe.
2. The center also accepts non-Indian children who are dependents of Indian households located within St. Mary Parish. The parent or legal guardian of the non-Indian child must be residing with an enrolled member of a federally recognized Indian Tribe to whom they are legally married.
3. When space is available, Yaamahana will accept non-tribal children of full-time and part-time employees of the Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana.

Hours of Operation

Monday through Friday
7:00 am-5:30 pm

Fees & Weekly Tuition Rates

Registration—\$30.00 per child
5 days/week—\$80.00
5 half days/week—\$40.00
3 days/week—\$48.00
2 days/week—\$32.00

- ♦ Tuition assistance is available for tribal families who meet the income eligibility requirements.
- ♦ Non-tribal families may apply for Child Care Assistance through the local office of Family Support.

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Congratulations to the 2010 Cypress Bayou Casino and Shorty's Employee of the Year Winners



ROBERT BROWN



JOLINE SAVELL



STEPHANIE BANKS



JOHN PELLERIN



MARIA BURGESS



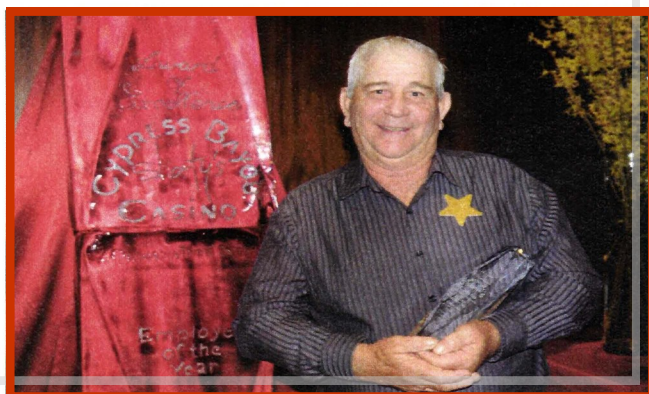
GAIL JOSEPH



ANTHONY SMITH



TERESA BOUDREAUX



EDGER DEROUEN



BETTY BERGERON



***Coming this
Fall to Cypress Bayou Casino and Shorty's***

September 2nd

The Pavilion

Brian McKnight - Platinum Recording Artist - 13 Albums, 20 Million Sold World Wide

Rox

Marc Broussard - Louisiana's Rising Star - Mixing Old School Soul and Swamp Blues

For more details: www.cypressbayou.com



CHITIMACHA GAMING COMMISSION NEWS



In addition to the Commission's traditional IGRA/Compact duties, the Chitimacha Gaming Commission is continuing to be very actively involved in a variety of additional administrative and regulatory duties pertaining to the new Hotel project, the new Chitimacha Athletic Authority ("CAA") and the commencement of professional sporting events at the Tribe's CBC Pavilion. As reported earlier, the Commission, acting with Council authority in a prior Resolution, established the CAA to oversee and regulate professional sporting events including boxing, mixed martial arts, wrestling and other commercial attractions all to stimulate additional revenue opportunities for the Tribe's casino operations. In June, the three directors of the CAA were appointed including Denise Faust, who heads the Commissions Vendor Registration Department, Leslie Proctor, Gaming Commissioner, and Tribal member Danny Darden, who was the at-large appointment. Denise was designated the Lead Director and has spearheaded the CAA organizational effort. Much work has been done in establishing a basic set of Tribal operating regulations as well as integrating aspects of the Louisiana State Boxing and Wrestling Commission guidelines. Additionally on August 1, 2011, in Washington DC, the CAA was formerly proposed for entry into the National Association of Boxing Commissions. Below is some additional information that you may find interesting about the Tribe's new affiliation:

In 1996, the 104th Congress passed the Professional Boxing Safety Act (PBSA) to establish minimum health and safety standards for professional boxing and to provide limited federal oversight by the Department of Justice and the Federal Trade Commission. Within the PBSA, the Association of Boxing Commissions was charged with establishing, certifying, and publishing the minimum health and safety standards for professional boxing.

The membership of the Association of Boxing Commissions consists of regulatory bodies from nearly every state in the United States and fourteen Tribes. They meet annually to address ongoing issues within the boxing industry, as well as mixed martial arts and professional wrestling. This year, Denise Faust, Co-director of the Chitimacha Athletic Authority, attended the conference.

On August 1, 2011, the Chitimacha Tribe petitioned the membership to allow the Chitimacha Athletic Authority to become an associate member of the organization. Buddy Embanato of the Louisiana State Boxing and Wrestling Commission also spoke on behalf of, and gave his support to, the CAA. He advised the membership that the Chitimacha Tribe is taking the necessary steps to ensure that boxing and other professional athletic events conducted on its reservation are done in a safe and legal manner. As a result, the membership voted unanimously to allow the CAA into the Association. Membership will serve as a valuable tool to further legitimize the CAA within the combative sports industries. The Authority will also receive vital information regarding changes in policy, health and safety issues, and legal issues that arise from around the Nation. The Chitimacha Tribe and its new Athletic Authority are honored to have been so recognized and accepted. This near immediate recognition and affiliation is indicative of the respect paid to the Tribe and the attention to the details that have been followed in forming this important regulatory system.

After receiving the regulatory approval to proceed, CBC/Shorty's has now entered into its first professional boxing event that is being billed as a "UBO World Lightweight Title Match." This inaugural boxing event was held in the Tribe's Pavilion facility, featured a five-bout card and showcased local Lafayette based boxing phenom, Mason "Rock Hard" Menard vs. Joseph "Mandingo" Laryea. The match was scheduled for Friday August 19th, 2011, and a supervised weigh-in

will be held the day before on August 18th. The CAA, in conjunction with the Louisiana State Boxing and Wrestling Commission, will supervise the match. Lastly, all promoters of sporting events will be required to undergo a LSP background investigation and be State-Certified in Indian Gaming before being able to contract with the CBC/Shorty's regarding such events.

The Commission also attended an important NIGC conference in Washington DC which involved a government-to-government conference concerning new NIGC regulations, as well as amendments to existing laws and regulations to promote efficiency and better oversight. Chairman John Paul Darden also participated in these discussions, and we can report that the NIGC again reiterated its respect and confidence in the work and operations of the Chitimacha Tribe and its Gaming Commission. The Commission looks forward to the mutual development of new processes and regulations that will streamline operations, reporting and conserve important resources where possible.

The Louisiana State Police will also be commencing a new pilot project in assigning retired LSP Troopers to post-employment administrative duties, inclusive of background research and investigations for Indian Gaming applicants and licensees. It is hoped that this program will reduce some LSP costs by using retirees who are paid less and without many of the fringe benefits; otherwise, a full active State Trooper would be required to perform the same essential administrative duties. The LSP will still have active State Police personnel on site, but with a reallocation to primarily active investigation duties to promote efficiency.

The Commission is also involved in supervising the new roll out of the newest slot machine systems known as Server Based Gaming or "SBG." These new slot machines are the cutting edge and future for slot systems as they allow the playing of all types of available games on a single machine location and selectable by the individual patron/player. Additional features are also included and the systems are being tested with great positive response from the slot playing community. CBC/Shorty's has installed 40 new machines with 54 other machines being converted to the SBG technology. Our patrons are excited by these new offerings. The Tribe will utilize such new machines to further enhance our amenities and expand market share.

Lastly, the Commission wishes to express its appreciation to the Compliance Officers who have worked so diligently in the SBX (server-based gaming) roll out. Also, a special commendation to Denise Faust and Monica Provost for all their efforts in working on their Vendor Registration duties while also effectuating the creation of the CAA and all the various technical aspects of that effort. Great work by all!

May – July 2011

Employee/Applicant Hearings	5	Casino Background Investigations (Includes Rehires and Under 21)	148
Licensing Actions	8	Tribal Background Investigations	20
Commission Meetings (Regular/Special)	11	Raintree Market Applicants/Employees	15
Vendor Registration/Licenses Processed	29	Casino Vendor Background Investigations	19
<u>Compliance Officer Reports</u>		Special/Confidential Investigations	2
Activity / Incident	162		
Jackpots (Over \$5,000.00)	102		
Patron Complaints	1		
Accident / Illness	60		
Slot Activity (programming / moves)	92		

FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Fire Chief R. Cook



Emergency Preparedness:

Emergency Operations Committee, (EOC):

During this hurricane season and throughout the year, it is essential that emergency preparedness and planning be given priority. All residents should have in place a plan of action in the event that our immediate area is threaten by a hurricane or other natural disaster. This plan of action should include all the necessary items and housing accommodations in the event that a mandatory evacuation of our area is warranted. For further assistance you may go to site www.fema.gov/areyouready

The Working Document. The Tribal Emergency Operations Plan (TEOP), as authorized by the Tribal Council establishes the course of action and organization of the Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana with regards to emergency operations. This plan assigns responsibilities, task and actions that shall be taken to provide for the welfare and safety of the community against the threat of natural, technological, and national security emergencies and disasters. It addresses the need for Mitigation, Preparedness, Response, and Recovery activities that will enhance the Tribe's overall capability to cope with potential hazards. Further, it address the actions needed to restore the Tribe's infrastructure following a disaster or other debilitating influence on the normal pattern of life within the Reservation.

Training:

Personnel continue to perform ongoing Monthly In-Service training and on-line Fire and Emergency testing. During this quarter personnel conducted emergency pre-planning at the Cypress Bayou Casino. This pre- planning maintains occupancy awareness of this facility in the event that emergency interventions are needed. Fire personnel also attended Hazardous Awareness and fire ground training conducted by LSU Fire Academy. Also monthly apparatus pumping skills are performed to maintain performance skills.

Public Services:

Conducted at our learning facilities were Fire, Tornado and Quarterly Bus Evacuation Drills, and the Fire Prevention Awareness component is conducted monthly. Annual NFPA Life Safety 101 building inspections, Fire Pre-Planning and Fire Extinguisher inspections are also conducted monthly throughout the fire district.

Notices:

If anyone would like to join a rewarding profession in serving the community feel free to come by the fire department or Human Resource to pick up an application. Annual Incentive is paid out to CFP Volunteer Division Members that participate in emergency, non - emergency incidents and training activities.

The Chitimacha Junior Firefighter program is now available for our community youth, ages from 14 to 18 years that would like to learn a career in the emergency services while serving their community. Applications may be picked up at the fire department at any time. For further information you may contact Captain Perry at 337-578-5494, Firefighter First Class Joshua Bourque at 337-923-4326 or myself at 337-578-4253 and we will be happy to assist you.

The fire department is accepting bids on a 1982 Ford Service Unit. Starting price is at \$500.00 and sealed bids can be submitted at 8:00 a.m. August 25th, 2011, and must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. September 22nd, 2011.

For advanced protection, Fire and Burglar Alarm System will monitor your home 24 hours a day of early detection of smoke/fire or other intrusions. Also be certain that smoke alarms are operational and that home address numbers are in place and legible from the roadway. The size of the residential address numbers should be a minimum of (4) inches.



TRIBAL COURT NEWS

*Carrie D. Saucier, Clerk of Court
Chitimacha Tribal Court*



On July 5th, 2011, Hon. Cameron B. Simmons, Chief Judge of the Chitimacha Tribal Courts had the pleasure to swear in Chairman John Paul Darden (at right), Vice-Chairman Jules M. Darden (bottom left), Chitimacha Board of Education Members, Jill P. Louviere (bottom middle) and Katherine "Kitty" Vilcan (bottom right).



On July 20th, 2011, Chairman John Paul Darden, on behalf of Chitimacha Tribal Council, along with Hon. Cameron B. Simmons, Chief Judge, Walter J. Senette, Jr., Tribal Prosecutor and Carrie D. Saucier, Clerk of Court, on behalf of Chitimacha Tribal Court and Chief of Police Blaise Smith and Ellen Hebert, on behalf of Chitimacha Tribal Police Department attended the Western District of Louisiana Tribal Initiative Meeting in Marksville, Louisiana. Hon. Cameron B. Simmons served as a very informative guest speaker on Tribal Court Issues.

On July 26th, 2011, Hon. Cameron B. Simmons, Chief Judge and Hon. Gary F. LeGros, Jr., Judge Pro Tempore were sworn in at the regularly scheduled Chitimacha Tribal Council Meeting by Chairman John Paul Darden.

Judge Simmons was sworn in for his fifth term of office consisting of four years each, totaling twenty-one years. See photos on next page.

CURRENT COURT STATISTICS:

JUNE & JULY CASES: (56)

26 CIVIL ACTIONS (15 Garnishments/8 CV Complaints/1 Petition for Damages/1 Petition for Breach of Contract/1 Joint Petition)

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5 TRAFFIC (5 CV TR Infractions)

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MORTGAGE AND LIENS: (2)

(2) Assignment/Liens

MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS: (0)

**TOTAL ACTIONS PROCESSED IN
JUNE AND JULY, 2011
(58)**

COURT SESSIONS:

TRIBAL COURT: JUNE

Tribal Court conducted two (2) regular sessions in the month of June, 2011, with the first regular sessions being conducted on **June 7, 2011**, at which time **sixteen (16)** matters were scheduled to be heard. One (1) matter was continued and two (2) matters were dismissed.

(06) JUVENILE

(01) CIVIL

(01) PROBATE

(08) DOMESTIC

The second regular session was conducted on **June 21, 2011**, with **twenty-eight (28)** matters scheduled to be heard. Two (2) matters were dismissed and five (5) matters were continued to a later date.

(01) JUVENILE

(01) CIVIL

(05) DOMESTIC

(01) CRIMINAL

(20) TRAFFIC

TRIBAL COURT: JULY

Tribal Court conducted one (1) regular session on July 12, 2011, at which time **fourteen (14)** matters were scheduled to be heard. Five (5) matters were continued and reset and one (1) matter was dismissed.

(02) JUVENILE

(03) CIVIL

(02) CRIMINAL

(01) PROBATE

(06) DOMESTIC

Regular sessions continue to be held on Tuesdays with the next regular session scheduled on **Tuesday, August 30, 2011**, with open sessions begin at **10:00 a.m.**

Anyone interested in becoming a Lay Advocate to represent individuals in various court matters, please contact Carrie D. Saucier, Clerk of Court to receive information.

Pictured directly below, Cameron B. Simmons, Chief Judge and at bottom, Hon. Gary F. LeGros, Jr., Judge Pro Tempore being sworn in by Chairman John Paul Darden.



Public Works Departmental News

From: Tony Darden , Public Works Director

NOTICE:

The ground up asphalt is no longer available for anyone's use. We will be using the remainder for a tribal project here on the reservation.

Please help yourself to the dirt if you should need any for your use.

Summer Youth Program:

The Summer Youth Program has come to an end for this year. This year I had seven (7) youth workers and they were: Jose Sanchez, Dylan Dwyer, Colby Darden, Joshua Darden, Dallas Brown, Jovan Anderson and Reid Simoneaux with Ms. Laura Lightell as their supervisor. Also, I'd like to thank Jason Magee for standing in as supervisor when needed. First I want to commend all of them for doing an outstanding job. They worked for four (4) weeks and performed several projects. On their last day they had a Fun Day at the recreation center which included swimming, a waterslide and a pizza party.

To all the youth workers, thank you again and as you go back to school study hard and do your best to accomplish your education. We look forward to seeing you next year. Below and on the next page are some pictures of our workers.





Grass Clippings:

When mowing your lawn along the roadside, **please throw your grass in your yard and not on the road;** this is causing drainage problems with the curb and gutters system.

Waste Oil:

Please remember that the maintenance department is still accepting waste oil. If you have any you would like to dispose of you may bring it to the shop. This service is **only available between the hours of 7:30 A.M. thru 5:00 P.M. Monday - Thursday. And 7:30 A.M. thru 11:30 A.M. Friday.** You must check with one of the maintenance workers prior to any disposal.

NO ONE IS ALLOWED TO DUMP THEIR WASTE OIL ON WEEKENDS WHEN THE SHOP IS CLOSE.

Dumpsters:

The dumpsters that are located at all tribal buildings and the Trading Post is for the use of tribal facilities **only**. Private household garbage should be disposed of at the Waste Management facility in Franklin. Anyone who is caught dumping in these dumpsters will be asked to retrieve their garbage from the dumpster.

Burn Pile on Seminole Drive

Please be advised that this location is only for you to burn your tree limbs, grass and leaves. They still have some people throwing items such as lawn mower frames, bicycles, etc. These items should be brought to Waste Management in Franklin. If we continue to get this kind of debris, we will have to close this area down.

Marie Theresa de la Grande Terre Historical Marker Dedication

On April 9, 2011 a historical marker honoring Marie Theresa de la Grand Terre, a member of the Chitimacha Indian Tribe, was placed at the junction of LA State Hwy 9 and Hart Road at the entrance to the Black Lake Community of Campti, LA. The Chairman of the Chitimacha, John Paul Darden, was on hand to unveil and dedicate the marker. After the unveiling and dedication a reception was held at Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church fellowship hall in honor of Marie Theresa. There were over 200 in attendance. A community effort by descendants of Marie Theresa de la Grand Terre provided funding for the marker. Research and documentation proving the lineage were conducted by Cletties Pardee Self and Shirley Barr-May. The history behind Marie Theresa de la Grand Terre's story can be found in the passage below.

Marie Anne Theresa de la Grande Terre Her Story

In November 1707 de Saint Cosme, Missionary at the Natchez was on his way to Mobile... when he was attacked by a band of Chitimacha Indians and hacked to death. The Indians both feared and hated him for his violence toward his Indian slaves. In early January 1708, Bienville sent the boat Esperance with arms and munitions to St. Denis at Fort La Boulaye. The gifts were to entice the other Indian tribes to make war upon the Chitimacha. Two days later with his combined force, St. Denis attacked a small Chitimacha village while they slept, killing the men and taking the women and innocent young children as prisoners to sell as slaves at Mobile. The young Chitimacha slaves were sold to the inhabitants of Mobile for 200 livres each. The boat "Esperance" that transported the prisoner slaves had run aground and was destroyed by a squall in the Massacre Island port. Marie Anne Theresa de la Grande Terre and her sister Jeannie de la Grande Terre were two of the young Chitimacha girls taken in the raid and they were both sold at Mobile. Marie Theresa was bought by a French soldier, Jacques Guedon dit Nantois and they later moved to the new fort at Natchitoches and were married at Fort Adaes in 1721. It was at this time the priest gave her the Christian name of Marie Anne Theresa. The de la Grande Terre is the designation of the Chitimacha and it means "of the big land". Jeannie, her sister, was bought by Francois Derbanne and they also moved to the fort at Natchitoches.

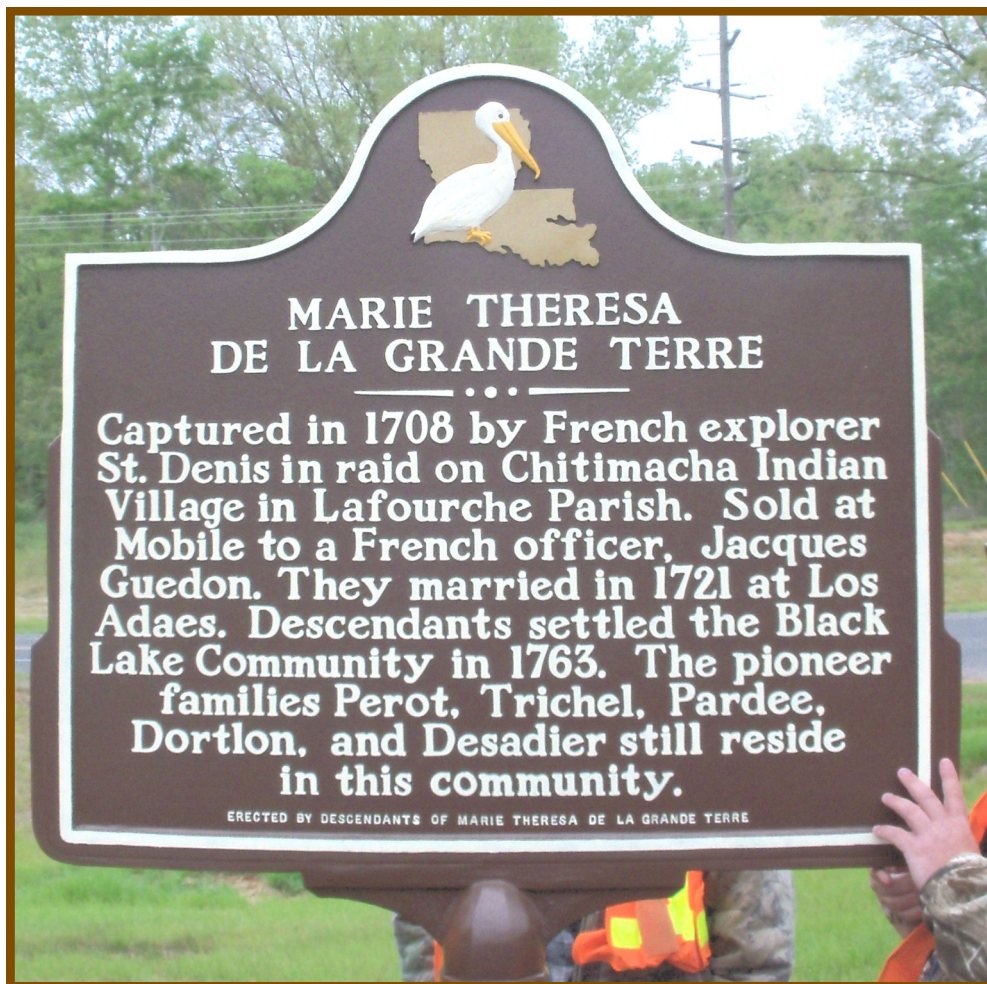
Jacques Guedon and Marie Theresa settled the fort at Lake End on a bluff overlooking the Bayou Pierre. It was here they raised their family. They later moved back into the town of Natchitoches and both are buried there in the Parish Cemetery. One of their children is Louise Marguerite Guedon who married Alexis Grappe and their children became the founding families of the Black Lake Community.

The descendants wish to honor their Indian Ancestor, Marie Anne Theresa de la Grande Terre by means of placing this sign at the entrance to the Black Lake Community. This community was first established in about 1763 and therefore will celebrate its 250 year anniversary in 2013.

Marie Anne Theresa de la Grande Terre is the common link to all the families from the Black Lake Community, and her descendants still live there today.



Pictured above (L to R) Cletties Pardee Self, Chairman John Paul Darden and Shirley Barr-May at the dedication and unveiling ceremony. Below is a picture of the marker for your reading pleasure.



ATTENTION ALL CHITIMACHA CHEFS:



**Dust off those pots and
break out maw-maw's
secret recipe!**

**The corn soup
cook-off is BACK!**

**Mark your calendars for
November 12th, 2011!!**

Details to follow at a later date.

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

MAINTENANCE WORKER

SCOPE OF POSITION: Under the direct supervision of the Public Works Supervisor and general supervision of the Public Works Director, undertakes and performs a variety of building and/or grounds maintenance and repair functions.

DUTIES: Perform the maintenance and repair of tribal lift stations and sewer lines as directed. Maintain all grass and landscaped areas and empty and remove trash from receptacles located in designated areas. Perform routine maintenance and repairs on all tribal buildings as needed and, specific tasks requested through the Work Request system as delegated. Responsible for special projects as directed by the Public Works Supervisor, including but not limited to overall reservation maintenance, ditch cleaning, road maintenance, correcting public health and safety hazards and other field activities. Maintain direct daily communication with the Public Works Supervisor to ensure proper disposition of any problems that may arise and, observe and practice safe working procedures in performance of all duties. Perform other duties as assigned or required.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: A high school diploma or GED **AND** one (1) year of general construction, maintenance, grounds keeping, repair, custodial or closely related experience.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS: Subject to call out 24-hours a day, 7 days a week. May be exposed to dangerous machinery, extreme weather conditions, potential physical harm, hazardous chemicals and infectious diseases. May be required to lift and/or carry heavy, bulky supplies, materials and/or other items weighing up to 50 pounds.

PREFERENCE WILL BE GIVEN TO QUALIFIED NATIVE AMERICANS.

SUBJECT TO PRE-EMPLOYMENT AND RANDOM DRUG TESTING.

A BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION WILL BE REQUIRED.

DUE TO INTERACTION WITH THE TRIBAL LIFT STATION AND SEWER LINES, THIS POSITION REQUIRES COMPLETION OF THE SERIES OF HEPATITITS B SHOTS.

To Apply: View our website www.chitimacha.gov, or visit the Human Resources Department at 105 Houma Drive, Charenton, LA.

Applications are accepted: Monday – Thursday 7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Friday 7:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.

Deadline to apply:

Tuesday, September 6, 2011

BENEFIT GARAGE & BAKE SALE FOR

Elaine Higgins

Saturday, September 17, 2011

7:00am-until

Chitimacha Tribal School Gym



**** New & Used Items ****

**** Knick Knacks ****

**** Women, Men, Children & Infant Clothing ****

**** Furniture ****

**** Small Kitchen Appliances ****

And MORE!!

Great gift items!!

Anyone interested in donating items and/or assisting with the set up and sale is more than welcome!

Set up will be Friday, September 16, 2011
after 3:00pm at the gym.

Contacts: Rachel Vilcan, racheld@chitimacha.gov
Sandra Boutte, sandra@chitimacha.gov
Loren Rogers, lorenr@chitimacha.gov

Dear Fellow Tribal Members,

I would like to take this time to thank everyone that came out and supported me in this last Vice-Chairman election, and to everyone that helped me put this campaign together. Trust me I could not have done this without you.

Thanks to all of you who opened up their homes to me and who took the time to listen to what I had to say. I tried my best to see everyone, sorry if I missed anyone! It was a pleasure to meet all of you.

O'Neil J. Darden, Sr.

P.S. There is always next time.

Qaxtna!

I would like to extend a personal Huya to all of the Tribal Members who participated in the previous election and voted for me to continue to serve as your Vice Chairman. I look forward to the following two years and believe that several crucial challenges and opportunities await the Council to make decisions on. I renew my pledge to you that I will base my decisions on what I believe to be within the best interest of the entire Tribe. Once again, thank you.

Sincerely,

Jules Darden - Vice Chairman



A Note of Thanks

*A sincere & heartfelt "Thank You" to everyone for
your support in re-electing me during the Primary
election for the Chitimacha Board of Education.*

*Sincerely,
Katherine "Kitty" Vilcan*



A Special Note of Thanks

*Thank you to everyone for your
support in re-electing me to the
Chitimacha Board of Education.*

*Sincerely,
Jill Proctor Louviere*

**LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
DIVISION OF NUTRITION ASSISTANCE
SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE SECTION**

**FREE/REDUCED 1A
PRICING
Public Release**

The Chitimacha Tribal School today announced its policy for free and reduced price meals served under the National School Lunch and/or School Breakfast Program(s). All schools and the central office have a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by any interested party.

Application forms are being sent to all homes, along with a letter to households. To apply for free or reduced price meals, households should fill out one application for the household and return it to the school. Additional copies are available at the principal's office in each school. Applications may be submitted at any time during the year. The information provided by the household is confidential; it will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility. Information may be verified at any time during the school year by school or other program officials.

For the school officials to determine eligibility, each household that is now receiving SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, formerly the Food Stamp Program) or that is on the Family Independence Temporary Assistance Program (FITAP) must provide its SNAP or FITAP case number as well as the signature of an adult household member. All other households must provide the following information on the application: names of all household members; the social security number of either the parent/guardian who is the primary wage earner, or the adult household member who signs the application, or a statement that the household member does not possess one; the amount of income (before deductions for taxes, Social Security, etc.) each household member receives; how often the person receives the income; where it is from, such as wages, retirement, or welfare; and the signature of an adult household member certifying that the information provided is correct.

If a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size increases, the household should contact the school. Such changes may make the children of the household eligible for meal benefits.

Foster children who are the legal responsibility of a welfare agency or court may be eligible for benefits. If a household has foster children and wishes to apply for such meals for them, the household should contact the school for more information.

Households that receive SNAP or FITAP benefits are not required to complete an application. School officials will determine eligibility for free meals based on documentation obtained directly from the SNAP/FITAP office, which will certify that a child is a member of a household currently receiving SNAP or an assistance unit receiving FITAP benefits. School officials will notify households of their eligibility. Households who are notified of their eligibility but do not want their children to receive free meals must contact the school. SNAP and FITAP households should complete an application if they are not notified of their eligibility by August, 2011.

Under the provisions of the free and reduced price policy, Mary Naquin will review applications and determine eligibility. If a parent or guardian is dissatisfied with the ruling of the official, he may wish to discuss the decision with the determining official on an informal basis. If the parent wishes to make a formal appeal, he may make either an oral or written response to the following:

Name: Tanya Rosamond, 3613 Chitimacha Trail, Jeanerette, LA 70544; 337-923-9960

The policy contains an outline of the hearing procedures.

Non-discrimination Statement: This explains what to do if you believe you have been treated unfairly. "In accordance with Federal Law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. To file a complaint of discrimination, write USDA, Director, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 or call toll free (866) 632-9992 (Voice). Individuals who are hearing impaired or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339; or (800) 845-6136 (Spanish). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer."

<http://cnp.doe.state.la.us/DNAMemos/SFS/Forms/2011-12 Public Release.doc>

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

House for Sale

Reduced price. Can be seen at 125 Pequot Drive. Contact numbers: (337)923-0793 or (337) 923-4390, ask for Connie. 1900 sq. ft. living area, 3100 sq. ft. under roof. All appliances stay, partially furnished, all custom shades, custom cabinets, 5 years old, 15x20 garage/workshop, wired for surround sound and an alarm system.



HOUSE FOR SALE

106 TUNICA DR., CHARENTON
(TRIBAL RESERVATION)

4 BEDROOMS, 2 1/2 BATHROOMS, LIVING ROOM,
DEN, 15X30 COVERED PATIO, 2 VEHICLE PARK-
ING WITH COVERED AWNING, 30X40 SHOP WITH
AWNING AND ASPHALT DRIVEWAY AND 4 1/2
FT. ABOVE GROUND SWIMMING POOL WITH DECK
APPROXIMATELY 2400 SQ FT. LIVING AREA

APPRAISAL VALUE \$182K
FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT :
NAOMI GUILLORY @ (337)280-5475

A Special Note of Recognition!

CONGRATULATIONS goes out to Mrs. Dot Newman who recently celebrated her 90th Birthday on August 17th. A party and celebration was planned in her honor by family and friends. Again, Happy Birthday!

We Love You,
Your Family



Call Kitty @ (337)923-4973 to place an Ad or Email to:
kitty@chitimacha.gov



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